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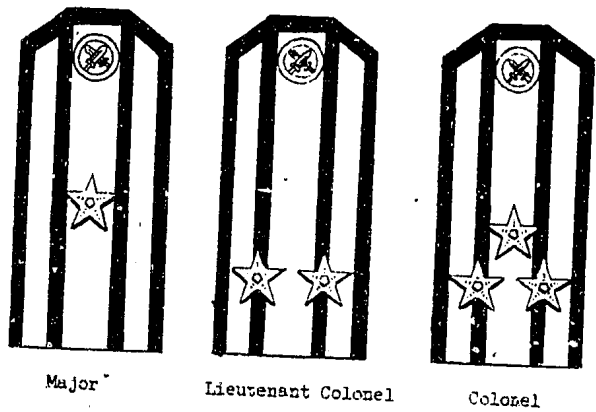
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CZECHOSLOVAK ARMY CHANGES OFFICER RANK DESIGNATION

Following a decision by Antonin Zapotocky, President of Czechoslovakia, the rank of Stabni Kapitan (Staff Captain) was abolished by the Czechoslovak Armed Forces as of 1 July 1953. This move, which was delayed for a considerable time, represents the final step in eliminating unnecessary military ranks and brings the Czechoslovak Army in line with the armies of the Soviet Union and the other People's Democracies.

Reproduced below is the new insignia of rank of field-grade officers.



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